

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0009] with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 3A shows a schematic representation of a particular burst modulation waveform used in BCR testing wherein the burst modulation frequency is fixed at 1.6 kHz and the DC offset is -500V. ~~Figure~~ Figures 3B and 3C ~~shows show~~ the $V_{hi} - V_{pp}$ and $V_{hi} - IAC$ characteristics respectively, for conventional and burst modulated BCR charging wherein the AC duty cycle is varied by Method 1.

Please replace paragraph [0018] with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 3 shows the $V_{hi} - V_{pp}$ and $V_{hi} - IAC$ characteristics for conventional and burst modulated BCR charging. The ~~filled~~ open circles in ~~Figures 3A and 3B~~ 3B and 3C depict conventional BCR charging and the characteristic increase in V_{hi} with V_{pp} and IAC, respectively, followed by a leveling off of V_{hi} above a threshold peak to peak voltage V_{th} . BCR charging can be done in principle at any V_{pp} on the plateau of the curve. However, working at a V_{pp} somewhat greater than V_{th} is typically required to eliminate background and improve halftone uniformity. This point is known as the background disappearance point. For example, the Tokai-2bb BCR has a background disappearing point that is 20-30% higher than V_{th} .